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## Carmen Purdy Receives Roland Michener Award

On June 2nd BCWF Past President, Carmen Purdy, with his supportive wife Carol, was able to add another well deserved award to his long list of achievements receiving the Canadian Wildlife Federation's (CWF) Roland Michener Award.

The Right Honourable Roland Michener was an avid outdoorsman, the Former Governor General of Canada, and a past honorary president of the CWF. The award was established in 1978 and is presented annually to an individual who has demonstrated a commitment to conservation through effective and responsible activities that promote, enhance and further the conservation of Canada's natural resources.

Mr. Purdy is an ardent hunter, fisher, trapper and conservationist with a long and rich history surrounding the BCWF as well as several other associations and organizations in British Columbia. A few of the many positions he's held and organizations he's been involved with include: President BCWF, Chairman BC Conservation Foundation, and Director of BC Trappers Association, President East Kootenay Wildlife Association, Boy Scout Movement and founding member of the Kootenay Wildlife Heritage Fund. Carmen, along with four other East Kootenay hunters, played a major role in the establishment of the Habitat Conservation Fund. He is currently a commissioner for the Agricultural Land Commission of BC, a Director of the Nature Trust of BC and President of the Kootenay Wildlife Heritage Fund.

Mr. Purdy's contribution to the BCWF, habitat, fish, wildlife and conservation throughout British Columbia has been invaluable. Receiving such a prestigious award not only demonstrates Mr. Purdy's dedication and commitment to conservation but also the caliber of people we have within our ranks.

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## Returning Land Back to Fish & Wildlife in the East Kootenays

Mr. Purdy's hard at work trying to secure more habitats for fish and wildlife in the East Kootenays. The latest project is the Tregigles Property – Wigwam Flats Land Securement. These properties are situated above the confluence of the Elk and Wigwam Rivers and south of the unincorporated community of Elko. The properties are in close proximity to existing Nature Trust of B.C. and Mount Broadwood conservation property owned by the Nature Conservancy of Canada.

The Tregilges properties are designated as Class 1 winter range for elk, Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep and mule deer and considered class 2/3 for white-tailed deer. The properties are also used by the Rocky Mountain Bighorn's during the fall rut.

## Using the E Newsletter

All subheadings in the left column and blue words in the body of the newsletter are hyperlinked.

When your mouse pointer is on them a hand will appear. This will allow you to click once when the hand appears and will automatically direct you to a website or email address.



*From left to right- BCWF Member Bill Hanlon – Kootenay Conservation Land Manager Rob Neil and Conservationist Brian Mitchell at the Tregilges property*

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Several groups including MoE, Kootenay Wildlife Heritage Fund, Sparwood & District Fish and Game Association, Windermere & District Rod & Gun Club have already committed funds to this project. These are our members buying land back for the future of fish and wildlife in the East Kootenays.

The Tregilges lots are the last private lots on the Wigwam Flats; MoE has already purchased two of them and Carmen is hoping to purchase a third 5 acre parcel by next March but still requires another \$113,000.00. As Carmen puts it, “We’re (hunters and anglers) the ones who look after the land, manage it and multiply resources on it. We are a part of the asset culture which formed this great country. The Liability culture would have us stop what we do.”

For more information about the project or to make a donation contact info for [Carmen Purdy](#) President of the Kootenay Wildlife Heritage Fund and [Rob Neil](#) Kootenay Conservation Land Manager can be found in the sidebar.

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## How to add 30 youth to your club

### How to Add 30 Youth to your Club

Nelson & District Rod and  
Gun Club

Joani Trickett

“You’ve gotta do what kids want to do,” says Joani Trickett, President of the Nelson Rod & Gun Club. Joani’s words ring loud and clear – she’s exactly right: Are we doing what kids want to do? Do we have programs that encourage our kids to get involved in hunting, fishing, the outdoors and conservation? At the Nelson club the proof is in the pudding.

In just over one year the Nelson club has added close to 30 new youth whose parent’s are not club members. More than twenty of the kids have come from the army cadet program; these youth were recruited locally and now use both the archery range and the rifle range.

Nelson Club's looking for 3-D Archery Targets for their club

Contact Joani Trickett  
President Nelson Rod &  
Gun Club  
gtstore@shaw.ca

## Convention 2008

Contact Mel Arnold  
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(250) 832-7538

## Limited Entry Results

The limited entry draw was run June 28 in Victoria. Results are available online. You should receive your results in the mail by July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

They also recruited youth who originally intended to use the hall for board games. Since then they've become hooked on shooting and alternate between shooting and board games every other week. Now the club has junior shoots at their range and the youth also have paintball tournaments.

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## Convention 2008 Announced

*Article submitted by*

*Mel Arnold*

*Vice-President BCWF*

*Past President Salmon Arm Fish and Game Club*

Salmon Arm Fish and Game Club in conjunction with BCWF Region 3 is pleased to announce the BCWF 2008 Annual General Meeting and Convention will be held in Salmon Arm April 9th - 12th, 2008.

The Prestige Harbourfront Resort and Convention Centre will be the base hotel with some events held at other venues around town. Beginning with a casual meet and greet on Wednesday April 9th through the Awards Banquet on Saturday April 12th we plan keep everyone entertained and well fed. Somehow we'll get the AGM business done as well.

The Prestige hotel is located on the waterfront with all amenities nearby including walking trails through the Nature Trust bird sanctuary right across the street. Weather should be pleasant and provide for other outdoor activities. Linda Arnold and Kathy Butchart have started planning for an entertaining spousal program; all delegates are encouraged to bring their significant other and make the best of a few days in what we consider paradise.

Offers of help have been coming in from other clubs and regions. It is highly appreciated as it has been many years since Region 3 hosted an AGM but our history dates back as early as 1934 when the Interior Fish and Game Association held their convention in Salmon Arm. Being centrally located in the province we would like to see 2008 AGM the best attended ever and look forward to seeing many new faces along with the familiar more experienced ones.

## Bill C-45

Members of Parliament

BCWF Tidal Waters  
Fisheries Committee  
Report

Proposed Fisheries Act  
steals fish from residents

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## Bill C-45

While our MP's are out for summer session Bill C-45 is still on the table for next fall. Bill C-45 was featured in the March newsletter; it allows the Federal Government the ability to privatize or contract out our fisheries and fishing opportunities. It also allows the government to charge us (recreational anglers) if the sport fishery catches more than their quota. The Bill does not guarantee our right to access or priority to our fish stocks.

Please contact your MP with letters, faxes and emails stating you do not support the legislation and that you would like to see priority access to fish given to residents of not only B.C. but Canada.

## Fundraising 101

Contact Doug Peck @  
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### Fishing Forever Days

#### July 7 Mabel Lake

**Lumby and District Wildlife  
Vernon F&G**  
Contact Sean McKenzie  
(250) 542-8401

#### July 14 Babine Lake

**Bulkley Valley Rod & Gun Club**  
Contact Fay Van Horn  
(250) 846-5652

#### July 21 Okanagan Lake

**Peachland Sportsman  
Association**  
Contact Al Springer  
(250) 767-2287

OCEOLA Fish and Game club  
is holding a stream cleanup  
from 9:00 am -noon  
Saturday July 28, 2007

For more information  
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director OCEOLA

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## Fundraising 101

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All clubs are probably planning some kind of a fundraiser in the near future as we all need money for our many projects. Here are a few helpful hints:

1. Always get a license from the BC Gaming Policy and Enforcement Branch
  - Class A for lotteries grossing over \$20,000 – Cost \$50.00 - Applications on line or by mail, take up to 10 to 14 weeks for approval
  - Class B for lotteries grossing \$5,000 to \$20,000– Cost \$25.00 Application is on line or by mail, take up to 3 working days for approval
  - Class D for lotteries grossing under \$5,000 – Cost \$10.00 Application is only on line, takes up to 3 working days for approval
2. When applying for a license here are some alternative suggestions for what to write on the application:
  - If you are having a raffle to raise funds to purchase .22's or bows for a junior program write “To purchase specialized equipment for conservation and/or outdoor education “ Do not mention firearms as you may not get a license.
  - Or if you just need funds to run your club use: “To fund local conservation projects within (your region or club area)” This includes gas money for members who attend meeting's relating to conservation.
3. Below are very important links to look at before you want to run a lottery:
  - [http://www.qp.gov.bc.ca/statreg/reg/G/208\\_2002.htm](http://www.qp.gov.bc.ca/statreg/reg/G/208_2002.htm)
  - <http://www.pssg.gov.bc.ca/gaming/legislation-policies/index.htm>
  - <http://www.pssg.gov.bc.ca/gaming/licences/index.htm>
  - <http://www.pssg.gov.bc.ca/gaming/licences/forms-guidelines.htm>

Your Fundraising committee is looking for prizes for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Dream Adventure Lottery and would like to offer a hunt. If anyone knows an outfitter in Alberta or Saskatchewan who could offer us a guided hunt for mule or white-tailed deer please let me know and I will contact the business.

## We want to hear from you



Send us your news, stories and items of interest. If your article is selected for an upcoming newsletter we will send you a T-Shirt:

The purpose of the BCWF Newsletter is to provide your club with news and information that you want to see. This is your Newsletter containing your news. If you have any comments or questions regarding the newsletter, allocations policy, Bill C-45, obtaining HCTF funding, Exotic Species or the BOW course please contact Jesse at [Jesse@bcwf.bc.ca](mailto:Jesse@bcwf.bc.ca) or 1-888-881-2293 EXT. 224 or feel free to contact any BCWF staff member.

